



## Lowell City Council Special Meeting Minutes

Michael Q. Geary City Clerk

**Date:** August 15, 2019

*Time:* 5:00 PM

Location: City Council Chamber, 375 Merrimack Street, 2nd Floor, Lowell, MA

SPECIAL MEETING AUDITOR INTERVIEW CONT.

## 1. ROLL CALL

Roll Call showed 9 present.

M. Samaras presiding.

## 2. MAYOR'S BUSINESS

2.1. Supplemental Interview Of Kara McSwiggin Due To Technical Difficulties Of August 12<sup>th</sup> Interview.

In City Council, M. Samaras introduced body to candidate noting the SKYPE difficulties of earlier interview and that it was only fair to have her present before the body. Ms. McSwiggin provided opening remarks outlining her education and work experience. C. Leahy guestioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding budget management of the school department as well as attendance at Council meetings. C. Mercier questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding municipal auditor management; work availability; management style; and qualities for the position. C. Milinazzo questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding municipal experience; payroll oversight; and third party audit response. C. Nuon questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding experience as an auditor; working with administration and department heads; and supervisory experience. M. Samaras questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding communication skills with all relevant parties as well as enforcing compliance with rules and regulations. C. Cirillo questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding her opinion of the City. C. Conway questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding her earliest availability to begin job if selected as well as her planned performance for the first 90 days on the job. C. Kennedy questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding her work experience as well as her earliest possible start time. C. Milinazzo questioned Ms. McSwiggin if it would be possible to stagger her start time at the beginning. C. Mercier questioned Ms. McSwiggin regarding her position on the Retirement Board as well. Ms. McSwiggin provided closing remarks outlining her commitment to the job.

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## 3. ADJOURNMENT

In City Council, Motion to Adjourn by C. Elliott, seconded by C. Kennedy. So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Michael Q. Geary, City Clerk